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*Dear Respondent:*

*This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the September Cattle on Feed Survey.*

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*Sincerely,*

Vince Matthews  
Director

### Idaho Cattle on Feed Up Eight Percent from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on September 1, 2009 totaled 195,000 head. The cattle on feed inventory was unchanged from August 1, 2009, but up 8 percent from September 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in feedlots in Idaho with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 42,000 head, down 3,000 head from August 2008 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during August totaled 40,000 head, down 4,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 2,000 during August 2009.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.88 million head on September 1, 2009. The inventory was 1 percent below September 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.11 million, 2 percent above 2008. Net placements were 2.06 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 425,000, 600-699 pounds were 395,000, 700-799 pounds were 515,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 775,000. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.81 million, 4 percent below 2008. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 55,000 during August, 12 percent above 2008.

### Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1</sup>

| State         | September 1, 2008 | August 1, 2009    | September 1, 2009 |                |                |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
|               |                   |                   | Number            | As % of 2008   | As % of August |
|               | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> | <i>Percent</i> |
| Arizona       | 362               | 275               | 275               | 76             | 100            |
| California    | 505               | 450               | 455               | 90             | 101            |
| Colorado      | 770               | 850               | 860               | 112            | 101            |
| Idaho         | 180               | 195               | 195               | 108            | 100            |
| Iowa          | 470               | 510               | 510               | 109            | 100            |
| Kansas        | 2,090             | 1,920             | 2,050             | 98             | 107            |
| Nebraska      | 1,960             | 1,920             | 2,020             | 103            | 105            |
| Oklahoma      | 305               | 310               | 325               | 107            | 105            |
| South Dakota  | 165               | 190               | 185               | 112            | 97             |
| Texas         | 2,580             | 2,510             | 2,510             | 97             | 100            |
| Washington    | 138               | 138               | 140               | 101            | 101            |
| Other States  | 305               | 369               | 357               | (X/)           | 97             |
| United States | 9,997             | 9,637             | 9,882             | 99             | 103            |

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. (X) Comparison to 2008 is not applicable.

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